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| 14 | V. | [Assigned For All Purposes To The Honorable Phyllis J. Hamilton] |
| 15 | BEST BUY ENTERPRISE SERVICES, | DEFENDANTS' APPLICATION FOR LEAVE TO |
| 16 17 | INC., a Minnesota Corporation, BEST BUY CO., INC., a Minnesota Corporation and DOES 1 through 100 inclusive, | FILE SUR-REPLY RE: STAY ISSUE RE: PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR ENTRY OF JUDGMENT PURSUANT TO RULE 54(B) |
| 18 | Defendants. | Date: August 8, 2007 |
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Defendants respectfully seek permission to file a two-page Sur-Reply for the exclusive purpose of addressing misstatements of law in Plaintiff's Reply on the issue of whether the Court should stay the single remaining cause of action pending resolution of the dismissed Copyright claims.

Leave to file a Sur-Reply is also warranted because, although the stay issue is related to the Court's analysis under F.R.C.P. 54(b), Plaintiff did not address the issue in its moving papers and instead addressed it for the first time in its Reply of July 20, 2007. See generally Doe v. University of Cal., 1993 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 12876, No. C-92-2284 SAW, at * 4 (N.D.Cal. September 8, 1993) ("If a district court certifies claims for appeal pursuant to Rule 54(b), it should stay all proceedings on the remaining claims if the interests of efficiency and fairness are served by doing so.").

The hearing on this matter is set for August 8, 2007. Defendants propose to file said Sur-Reply immediately upon the grant of leave to do so and thus well in advance of the hearing. ¹

DATED: July 23, 2007

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By: /S/ Robert F. Hinton
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ATTORNEYS FOR DEFENDANTS BEST BUY ENTERPRISE SERVICES, INC. AND BEST BUY CO., INC.

[PROPOSEDLORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT

Defendants' request to file a two page Sur-Reply for consideration by the Court in

connection with Plaintiff's Motion for

DENIEU Rule 54(b) is granted.

Defendants are ordered to file said Sur-Rej

Judge Phyllis J. Hamilton

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: July _24. 2007

ONORABLE PHYLES I HAMILTON
Inited States District Court Judge

 $^{^{1}\,}$ Plaintiff was provided advance notice of this application.